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The Appeal Brief filed 06/10/2009 is still defective for reasons already set forth in the Notice of Non-compliant Appeal Brief (37 C.F.R. 41.37) mailed 05/14/2009. In particular, in light of the amendment to the Appeal Brief ad item XI, i.e., "XI. Related Proceedings Appendix", the statement under "II. Related Appeals and Interferences" results in a contradiction with "XI. Related Proceedings Appendix" as currently and newly included in the same Appeal Brief, referring to a copy of the Decision by the Board of Appeals and Interferences to affirm the decision by the examiner to reject claims 21-26 and 28-32 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) in related application 10/748,175. Please note that "II. Related Appeals and Interferences" should contain a statement "identifying all other prior and pending appeals, interferences or judicial proceedings known to appellant, appellant's legal representative or assignee" (see 37 C.F.R. 41.37 (c) (1) (ii) for full quote). Therefore, the Appeal Brief is still defective. The Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of 5/14/09 set forth a one month time period for reply. This time period remains. Extensions of time are available under 37 C.F.R. 41.37(d).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JOHANNES MONDT whose telephone number is (571)272-1919. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-17.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jack W. Keith can be reached on 571-272-6878. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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